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City of Barrie

Final

Seniors Advisory Committee

Monday, October 25, 2021 | **10:00 AM** | **Virtual Meeting**

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on November 16, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, G. Kavanagh at 10:15 a.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 7 - Councillor A. Kungl
C. Green
G. Kavanagh
H. Stone
L. Ricardo
M. Malcolm
P. Sasco

Absent: 4 - Chairman D. Dellio
J. Annable
P. Thiffault
S. Turcott

STAFF:
Committee Support Clerk, B. Thompson
Recreation Programmer, J. Gourlie
Recreation Programmer, H. Kenehan
Supervisor of Transit Operations and Infrastructure, J. Zimmerman
Transit Coordinator, J. MacDonald
Transit Planning Student, R. Mennie

ALSO PRESENT:
E. McCraney, Gilbert Centre

The Seniors Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

TRANSIT AND PARKING STRATEGY - TRANSPORTATION

Jason Zimmerman, Supervisor of Transit Operations and Infrastructure and Julie MacDonald, Transit Coordinator provided of a presentation updating the programs, services and technology upgrades for Barrie Transit.

Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. MacDonald discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- What's new at Barrie Transit;
- The Allandale Mobility Hub concepts for a new terminal and downtown mini-hub;
- The Transit Vision Project;
- An update on the Barrie Transit on Demand Pilot design and expansion potential;
- Updates to MyRide Barrie;
- The COVID-19 public health measurers for riders;
- Upgrades to booking software with Interactive Voice Response (IVR) and a Trapeze PASS version update;
- The Specialized Transit Fleet to improve ridership for clients and equipped with InQline Assist system; and
- Transit services and current fares for seniors.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions to Mr. Zimmerman and Ms. MacDonald and received responses.

GILBERT CENTRE

Evan McCraney, Senior Program Coordinator of the Gilbert Centre provided a presentation on the New Horizons for 2S-LGBTQ+ - Older Adults.

Mr. McCraney discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- What is New Horizons;
- Who is involved;
- Programs and services;
- COVID-19 and New Horizons Programming;
- Pressures faced in supporting seniors; and
- New opportunities.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions of Mr. McCraney and received responses.

SENIORS EVENTS/INFORMATION/UPDATES

Jessica Gourlie, Recreation Programmer advised that Heather Kenehan, Recreation Programmer will be taking her place as advisory support to the Committee.

Ms. Gourlie provided a brief update on the 55+ Centre. She discussed transit training, free Thursday transit for seniors, meeting with Evan McCraney of the Gilbert Centre regarding the All-Bodies opportunities, in-person programming at the Centres, and the possibility of additional opportunities for the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

CHAIRMAN